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Niles Ford, Fire Chief
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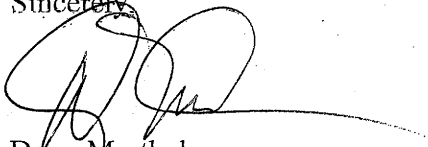
Dear Chief Ford,

On behalf of the staff of Lincoln Housing Authority, the tenants of Burke Plaza and their family members, I would like to thank the Lincoln Fire and Rescue Department for their extraordinary response to the fire at Burke Plaza, 6721 L Street, on Wednesday, December 2.

We greatly appreciate the response by you and your staff and the care given to our elderly tenants of the building. We are so fortunate to have avoided injuries to any of the tenants. We appreciate the extended time given to this call and, in particular, the time given to the protection of tenants as they waited in the lower level community room. While the city bus wasn't used, it was good to know it was there and ready.

I can't say thanks enough and I ask that you pass this on to each of the stations and staff involved in the response. Thank you so much.

Sincerely,



Doug Marthaler
Tenant Services Manager

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